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For: ADJUSTABLE BACK TENSION ROPE RELEASE

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 312

Having reviewed the application upon receipt of a Notice of Allowance in the first Official Action, applicant proposes to amend the specification and claims as follows pursuant to Rule 37 CFR 1.312:

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Total effective claims after amendment	2	minus highest number			
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0	x	\$ 18.00
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Independent claims after amendment	22	minus highest number			
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